

## Public Information Meeting

### Public Safety and Cell Phone Communications Site Installation

Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 5:00 pm

Rio Blanco County Boardroom

200 Main Street

Suite 100

Meeker, Colorado

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) White River Field Office is initiating an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed co-located Public Safety and Cell Phone Communications Site.

The “Marvine Site”, located approximately thirty miles east of Meeker near RBC Road 8, will include a one hundred foot tall tower with antennas and microwave dishes along with a single story equipment building. The tower and building will be shared between Rio Blanco County and Union Telephone Co. This site will provide new additional phone coverage as well as public safety communications in the area. Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Department, Sheriff’s Office, and Union Telephone Co. have filed applications with the BLM for right-of-way grants under Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of October 21, 1976 (90.Stat. 2776; 43 U.S.C. 1761) to authorize the site installation.

The BLM will prepare an EA to disclose the direct, indirect, and cumulative environmental impacts of the development plan and a No Action Alternative. As a starting point in the assessment, the BLM is soliciting input on the issues that will be considered in the preparation of the EA. At this time, you are encouraged to provide any comments, concerns, or issues that you may have with regard to the proposed development plan.

To best facilitate BLM’s review and use of comments during the EA process, comments must be received by March 9, 2012. A map and copy of the plan of development are available on the BLM website at <http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/wrfo/index.html>

Written comments and questions should be directed to the White River Field Office at 220 East Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641. Electronic comments may be submitted to [sburke@blm.gov](mailto:sburke@blm.gov). For e-mail correspondence, please include “Marvine Comm Site” in the subject line.